

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-29. (Withdrawn)

Claim 30. (Currently Amended) A plate comprising a set of apertures for the passage of at least one substance from a first side to a second side comprising:

a plurality of vertical apertures in a first ceramic sintered greensheet;

a plurality of horizontal apertures in a second ceramic sintered greensheet;

a plurality of vertical apertures in a third ceramic sintered greensheet, in which at least some of said horizontal apertures in said second sintered greensheet connect said plurality of vertical apertures in said first sintered greensheet with said plurality of vertical apertures in said third sintered greensheet; and

at least one supporting plate abutting one of said first and third ceramic sintered greensheets and having a pattern of ~~said apertures~~ a plurality of apertures defined therein, whereby said plurality of apertures are transferred accurately from said supporting plate to said one of said first and third sintered ceramic greensheets.

Claim 31. (Original) A plate according to claim 30, in which: said plate comprises two supporting plates abutting both said first and said third sintered greensheets.

Claim 32. (Original) A plate according to claim 30, in which: said plate comprises a supporting plate abutting first sintered greensheet.

Claim 33. (Original) A plate according to claim 30, in which: said plate comprises a supporting plate abutting said third sintered greensheet.

Claim 34. (Cancel).

Claim 35. (Cancel).

Claim 36. (Cancel).